SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY

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- 1. A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.
 - The NDA has spoken with the several meat, poultry and egg processors. They support the changes proposed in this regulation. Information was available on the website for the Department of Agriculture, <u>www.agri.nv.gov</u> and posted at the following locations:

NDA office Locations:

Department of Agriculture 405 S. 21st Street Sparks, NV 89431 Department of Agriculture 2300 E. Saint Louis Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89104 Department of Agriculture 4780 E. Idaho Street Elko, NV 89801

- 2. The manner in which the analyses was conducted.
 - No analysis was conducted because industry supports this regulation.
- 3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses it is to regulate, including, without limitation:
 - There will be minimal if any economic effect on small businesses.
- 4. A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.
 - An analysis was conducted to determine if the eliminated regulations were more stringent than the proposed adoption of the food code. It was determined that there were no changes.
- 5. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.
 - We believe there will be no change in the cost to the agency since these proposed changes will not change inspection frequencies.

- 6. If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.
 - There is no new fees or increased fees in the proposed regulations.
- 7. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.
 - Does not apply.
- 8. The reasons for the conclusion of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.
 - We conclude that the impact of these provisions will be minimal. Most businesses already employ these safety standards.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief, a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of this proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement was prepared properly and is accurate.

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Nevada Department of Agriculture